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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

1. I called Mr. William Allen of Boeing Aircraft this afternoon and asked him for the full name, date of birth, and place of birth of his chief designer, [redacted] I also advised him that the meeting with Mr. Kelly Johnson at Burbank would probably be held on Friday, 13 December, since Mr. Johnson is heavily involved in an entirely different project on Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Allen said he would obtain the requested information and call me back, adding that the sooner he could talk to [redacted] the better it would be since this would have an effect upon the proposal which Boeing is preparing. I told Mr. Allen that the purpose of the meeting on Friday would be to thoroughly clue in [redacted] and [redacted] (North American Aviation, Inc., representative) and then get the feedback from that meeting as to what they need and how we can best give it to them. Mr. Allen's office advised later that [redacted] [redacted] was born on [redacted]

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2. I also called [redacted] of North American Aviation, Inc., to request identical information on [redacted] I was advised that [redacted] was born on [redacted]

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3. The above information was passed to Jim Cunningham in order that the necessary clearances for [redacted] and [redacted] could be obtained. Mr. Cunningham subsequently called me to advise that he had just talked with Kelly Johnson, who had said that he would be unable to have the meeting until Monday afternoon, 16 December, since he is involved in a convention from Wednesday through Friday of this week. I said that if we wait until Monday, it makes us look sick; Mr. Cunningham replied that the only other time Mr. Johnson could do it is tomorrow, 10 December, and this

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would be without having previously obtained clearances on [ ] and [ ] I stated that I could not understand how the chief designers of Boeing Aircraft and North American Aviation, Inc., would not already have security clearances and that my recommendation would be to call each firm to ask if [ ] and [ ] have current industrial security clearances. Mr. Cunningham agreed that the chance they would not have security clearances is extremely unlikely. I added that both Mr. Allen and [ ] told us that their men had the necessary clearances except that they did not know about this project, and this is good enough for me. I stated that if there is a preliminary meeting tomorrow, [ ] and [ ] could think about the matter and then have another meeting on Monday. I asked Mr. Cunningham to arrange with Kelly Johnson to have the meeting tomorrow, and to have Dr. Wheelon call Mr. Allen and [ ] tonight so that they could have [ ] and [ ] present.

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